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TEST ADMINISTRATION

ELPA

ELPA21 Releases EL Educator Toolkit

ELPA21, the test vendor who develops Oregon's English Language Proficiency Assessment (ELPA), has released a 2021-22 Educator Toolkit. The Toolkit is free to educators in ELPA21 member states and can be accessed via this one-use form. Note that this resource is free *only* to ELPA21 states; users should not share or distribute the toolkit beyond their school team.

The Toolkit was developed by educators from ELPA21 member states (including Oregon) and contains the following:

- Infographics
- Tip sheets
- Student profile templates
- Performance measures (aligned to Oregon's ELP standards)

Note that the retrieval form asks for an email address and associated ELPA21 member state. Email addresses entered in this form will be signed up for the ELPA21 newsletter, but will not be used for any other purpose. For a copy of the Educator Toolkit flyer, or if you have any questions or concerns, please contact <u>Ben Wolcott</u>.

EXTENDED ASSESSMENT

2021-22 Qualified Trainer Webinar Training Notice

The Oregon Department of Education's Assessment Team and colleagues from Behavioral Research & Teaching with the University of Oregon will be providing a series of online webinar trainings for returning and new Qualified Trainers (QTs). Please keep in mind that educators must have been Qualified Assessors (QAs) before they are eligible to become new QTs. The links below can be used to register for the (one) training that best matches your context and availability.

After registering, a confirmation email will be sent the day before the webinar containing information about logging on.

- Wednesday, November 10, 2021 8:00 11:00 AM (RETURNING QTs only; register)
- Wednesday, November 10, 2021 12:00 4:00 PM (NEW QTs only; register)
- Wednesday, November 17, 2021 8:00 12:00 PM (NEW QTs only; register)
- Wednesday, November 17, 2021 1:00 4:00 PM (RETURNING QTs only; register)

Educators who are planning to serve as new or returning Qualified Assessors (QAs) in 2021-22 are encouraged to contact district and/or Education Service District assessment staff for information regarding Qualified Assessor training offerings provided by current Qualified Trainers at their district or in their region. Please contact Caitlin Gonzales, Special Education Assessment Specialist with any questions.

Oregon Extended Assessment 1% Participation Cap Projections REPEAT

Given the limited participation experienced in the spring of 2021, districts are not required to submit new projections for the 1% Participation Cap for the 2021-22 school year. ODE plans to carry fall 2019 projections forward unless your district is expecting student demographic shifts in the coming year. If you foresee that district participation rates on the Oregon Extended Assessment will differ substantially from what was previously reported for your district in 2019, or that information submitted during that reporting period may be inaccurate, please complete a new <u>Justification Form</u> for 2021-22.

- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA): 1% Participation Cap PowerPoint
- Oregon District's 1% Participation Assurance and Justification Guiding Questions

For additional information and/or questions, contact <u>Caitlin Gonzales</u>, ODE Special Education Assessment Specialist.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

Oregon ELA Assessment Blueprint for 2021–22

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) has published the <u>2021-22 Oregon Summative Assessment of English Language Arts Blueprint</u>. The blueprint table identifies how many stimuli and items students will see on the 2021-22 Oregon ELA Summative Assessment for each of the claims: Reading, Writing, Listening, and Research. ODE will publish and communicate an updated version of the 2021-22 Oregon ELA Summative Assessment blueprint in mid to late October 2021. The updated Oregon ELA blueprint document will include the number of items for each assessment target and the number of depth of knowledge items.

Additionally, ODE has created a 2021-22 ELA Blueprint Summary of Changes document. This document provides an Overview of Changes Table for both the Computer Adaptive Test (CAT) and the Performance Task (PT) portions of the 2021-22 Oregon ELA Summative Assessment BP as compared to the previous 2019-20 OSAS ELA BP. The document also provides a Summary of Changes section which provides a more detailed explanation of changes occurring within each claim as compared to the previous 2019-20 OSAS ELA BP.

For additional questions or clarifications, please contact <u>Tony Bertrand</u>, English Language Arts and Social Sciences Assessment Specialist.

ACCOUNTABILITY & REPORTING

2020-21 At-A-Glance School and District Profiles Validation Closes September 24

The At-A-Glance School and District Profiles Validation will close on **Friday, September 24, 2021**. Previews of your At-A-Glance Profiles are available to review in validation in the <u>Achievement Data Insight (ADI)</u>

application. The final versions of the profiles will be available to preview in the validation on Thursday 9/30. Please remember that the profiles are embargoed until the public release date. You may share the profiles internally with district staff, but they cannot be shared publicly prior to the release date.

Training for the At-A-Glance School and District Profiles was conducted on July 29, and a <u>recording</u> is available. If you have questions regarding the At-A-Glance Profiles, please contact <u>Elyse Bean</u> or your <u>Regional ESD Partner</u>.

Informal Accountability Webinar, September 28

ODE hosts a webinar on the last Tuesday of every month to discuss accountability topics. **The next webinar is September 28 at 2:00 p.m**. If you have a topic that you would like addressed during the webinar, please submit it through the "Informal Accountability Webinar Open Call Agenda form" or via email.

When you <u>register to participate</u>, you will automatically be registered for all webinar dates in the series. You are encouraged but not required to attend every webinar. For questions, please contact <u>Elyse Bean</u>.

At-A-Glance Profiles District Webinar on Tuesday, October 5

The public release of the At-A-Glance School and District Profiles are scheduled for **Thursday, October 7**. In preparation for the public release, ODE will host a <u>webinar</u> for districts on **Tuesday, October 5 at 10 a.m.**

Final versions of the At-A-Glance Profiles will be available to preview in the <u>Achievement Data Insight (ADI)</u> application on Thursday 9/30. Please remember that the profiles are embargoed until the public release date. You may share the profiles internally with district staff, but they cannot be shared publicly prior to the release date.

For questions, please contact Jon Wiens.